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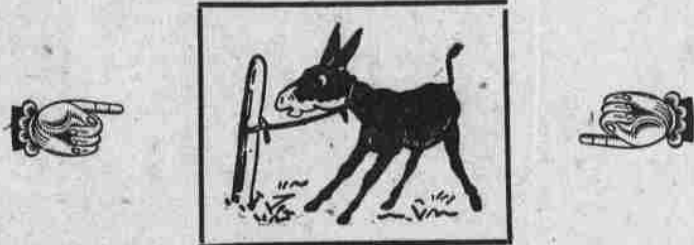
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D. M. MICHALON,

At the City of Hogan, Mo.

### Washington Correspondence.

The surprise in the message was the  
President's advocacy of a general,  
presidential, primary law. Rucker  
of Missouri, has two or three bills on  
this subject pending before his com-  
mittee. One of these will be reported  
in the near future, and no doubt  
will pass without serious opposition.

Now that the currency bill is being  
considered in the Senate where the  
attitude of each Senator counts for  
delay or progress, Senator Reed is  
vigorously advocating its passage. In  
a sharp colloquy with a republican,  
the other day, he warmly defended  
the President against the charge of  
being a "Boss."

It is freely predicted here that  
Roosevelt has already entered the  
race for the Presidency in 1916, and  
that it will very soon be generally  
known. The recent action of the  
Bull Moose convention in California  
indicates that little sympathy or as-  
sistance is expected or wanted from  
the Standpatters.

Hensley's "Peace" resolution pro-  
viding for an agreement with Great  
Britain for a holiday in naval con-  
struction, after full and free discus-  
sion, passed the House by a vote of  
317 to 16. Whatever may be the pas-  
age, it has certainly set serious minded  
people all over the world to thinking.  
In our opinion, it is a long step  
toward a world peace agreement.  
Hensley deserves great credit.

A recent decision of the Inter-State  
Commerce Commission authorized the  
Post Master General to reduce  
parcel post rates in zones 3 to 6, one  
to three cents per pound. It also  
authorized an increase in the max-  
imum weight in zones 1 and 2 from  
20 to 50 pounds and in all other zones  
from 11 to 20 pounds.

The President's message in a nut-  
shell is as follows:  
The one standard by which to de-  
termine controversies between the  
U. S. and other nations, is compoun-  
d of our own honor and our obliga-  
tions to the peace of the world.

We are friends and champions of  
constitutional government in Amer-  
ica. Mexico has no government. The  
power and prestige of the Dictator are  
crumbling, and collapse is near. We  
shall not change our policy of watch-  
ful waiting.

The farmer needs legislation that  
will make his credit resources avail-  
able in getting capital to support and  
develop his business.

The Sherman anti-trust act should be  
supplemented with legislation that  
will clarify it, facilitate its administra-  
tion and make it fairer to all concerned.  
I suggest prompt legislation to pro-  
vide primary elections all over the  
country to nominate candidates for  
the Presidency. I suggest conven-  
tions of nominees for President and  
for Congress and hold-over Senators,  
to declare results and formulate plat-  
forms.

We must give Porto Rica the ample  
and familiar rights accorded our own  
citizens in our own territories.

We must perfect the provisions for  
self-government already granted the  
people of Hawaii.

We must give Alaska the full Terri-  
torial government, build and operate  
railways and control terminals and  
ports in the interest of the develop-  
ment of the country and the service  
of the people.

We must move towards the inde-  
pendence of the Philippines as rapidly  
as the way can be cleared.

Mine labor should be made safer  
and more productive.

We must safeguard travel on the  
sea, and improve the conditions of  
employment of sailors.

### A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures kidneys  
and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel,  
cures diabetes, weak and lame backs,  
rheumatism, and all irregularities of  
the kidneys and bladder in both men  
and women. Regulates bladder  
troubles in children. If not sold by  
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receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is  
two months' treatment, and seldom  
fails to perfect a cure. Send for testi-  
monials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive  
Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by drug-  
gist.—Adv.

### Education and the Child.

In an address before the recent  
meeting of the Missouri Teachers' As-  
sociation, held in this city, Prof. Char-  
ters of the University of Missouri is  
credited with a statement that is de-  
serving of serious consideration. Ar-  
guing against the district method and  
in favor of the county unit organiza-  
tion he declared that "more than a  
century ago it was settled as a national  
policy that education is a State and  
not a parental matter."

We do not know how the statement  
was received. But if it were made  
substantially as here quoted from sec-  
ular press reports it should not have  
gone unchallenged. And that for the  
very good reason that it is misleading  
and inaccurate. Neither a century  
ago, nor at any intervening time since,  
has any such national policy been  
adopted. Professor Charters has mis-  
interpreted a civil prerogative, and  
in doing so has destroyed a national  
right.

It is true, that the State has the  
right to insist upon its future citizens  
being educated. That is the settled  
national policy on the subject. By  
no construction, however, does this

mean that education "is a State and  
not a parental matter," as the Prof. so  
complacently insists.

Prof. Charters appears to forget, to  
ignore or to deny some very funda-  
mental facts in this connection. The  
fact, for instance, that the family ex-  
isted before the State; that it is pos-  
sessed of rights which are prior to the  
State's existence and which the State  
cannot destroy. But these rights of  
the family are largely the rights of  
parenthood, coupled with the obliga-  
tions and responsibilities of that rela-  
tion.

Primarily and unreservedly, natu-  
rally and incontrovertibly, then, chil-  
dren belong to their parents. And by  
virtue of the claims of parenthood  
parents possess the inalienable right  
of selecting and directing the charac-  
ter of education to be given their  
children. It is quite evident, there-  
fore, that education is very much of  
a State matter, and proves the con-  
verse of Prof. Charters' proposition to  
be true.—Church Progress.

### New Parcel Post Rulings.

The Interstate Commerce Com-  
mission has approved several changes  
in the parcel post system which Post-  
master General Burleson proposes to  
make January 1. The proposed  
changes are:

An increase in the weight limit to  
zones No. 1 and No. 2 from 20 pounds  
to 50 pounds.

An increase in the weight limit to  
all other zones from 11 to 20 pounds.

A decrease in rates to the third,  
fourth, fifth and sixth zones.

Books weighing more than 8  
ounces to be carried by parcel post  
at regular zone rates, beginning  
March 16. Books weighing less than 8  
ounces to continue in third class at 1  
cent for each two ounces.

Provisions for mailing gold, gold  
dust and gold bullion from Alaska, in  
packages weighing not more than 11  
pounds, at the rate of 2 cents an  
ounce.

The proposed reductions in postage  
rates are:

Third zone rates, from 7 cents for  
the first pound and 5 cents for each  
additional pound, to 6 cents for the  
first pound and 3 cents for each ad-  
ditional pound.

Fourth zone rates, from 8 cents for  
the first pound and 6 cents for each

additional pound, to 7 cents and 4  
cents respectively.

Fifth zone rates, from 9 cents for  
the first pound and 7 cents for each  
additional pound, to 8 cents and 6  
cents, respectively.

Sixth zone rates, from 10 cents a  
pound and 9 cents for each additional  
pound, to 9 cents and 8 cents, re-  
spectively.

### Bellevue News.

Wm. Fletcher of Ironton spent a  
few days out here last week writing  
insurance.

Miss Maggie Fitzpatrick of Flat  
River is visiting relatives here this  
week.

Mrs. Rebecca Hartman of Mountain  
Grove is visiting relatives in the val-  
ley.

Mrs. Bertha Smith, who has been  
visiting in the home of J. L. Smith for  
the past month, returned last Thurs-  
day to her home in Rubio, Iowa. She  
was accompanied by her brother-in-  
law, Bunker Smith.

Misses Geraldine Phillips and The-  
ma Bryan, of Reed Creek neighbor-  
hood, spent last Saturday and Sunday  
with Miss Ruth Dymun.

Miss Jeanette Phillips was the  
guest of her cousins, Hallie and  
Emma Townsend, last week.

Mrs. W. S. McKinney, after a long  
illness, died at her home just north of  
town, last Wednesday. Funeral ser-  
vices were conducted on Thursday in  
the Baptist church by Rev. M. M.  
Blease. She was laid to rest in Eld-  
son cemetery. At the same time also,  
was buried the little three year old  
child of Jim Kitchell. The large crowd  
of friends and relatives present at  
both the funerals and burial, was evi-  
dence of sympathy for the bereaved  
ones.

The stork stopped in our town last  
Friday just long enough to leave a  
baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs.  
Chas. Wilson.

The meeting at the Presbyterian  
church will probably close Wednes-  
day night. Rev. Anderson, who is  
assisting Rev. Smith, and who is pas-  
tor at Potosi, is a strong preacher and  
sweet singer; his solos, which precede  
the preaching services, are greatly  
appreciated by the audiences.

December 9, 1913. ALPHA.

### Goodwater Items.

We have had three weeks of cloudy,  
rainy weather. The roads are next to  
impassable.

Report the following births: Mr.  
and Mrs. Sam Crocker, a boy; Mr. and  
Mrs. J. D. Jarvis, a girl; Mr. and Mrs.  
John Toppins, a boy; Mr. and Mrs.  
Marion Midgett, a boy.

Mrs. Alex Gregory died at her home  
near Adams last Sunday night.

Mr. Murphy Campbell of Potosi and  
Miss Viola Mayberry of this place,  
and Mr. Fred Vest of Potosi and Miss  
Salome Crocker of this place were  
married at the church here last Sun-  
day. A number of friends and relatives  
were present.

One member of the State Utility  
Commission will be at Sligo on the  
17th, to take evidence for and against  
the Sligo Furnace Company. The  
complainant, Mr. Casebolt, ask that  
the railroad, operated by the above  
company east from Dillard become a  
common carrier.

Mr. Wm. Riggs of Davisville and  
Canary Evans of Cherryville were  
married here last Thursday.

A meeting of the Goodwater Phone  
Co., will be held here to-day (Sat-  
urday).

Miss Jessie Carl departed for the  
West last week.

L. W. S.

State of Ohio, city of Toledo, {ss.  
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is  
senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney  
& Co., doing business in the city of To-  
ledo, County and State aforesaid, and  
that said firm will pay the sum of ONE  
HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and ev-  
ery false statement that cannot be cured  
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presence, this 6th day of December,  
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Politte Elvins Loses Big Tour-  
ing Car By Fire.

(From the Farmington News.)

The big 40 h. p. five-passenger  
Cadillac touring car owned by Politte  
Elvins was destroyed by fire at Mr.  
Elvins' downtown garage at Elvins  
Monday morning. The fire is sup-  
posed to have been caused by the back  
firing of the engine. Mr. Elvins and  
his brother-in-law, Postmaster  
George Kells, had planned to drive  
the car through to the city that day  
where it was to have been left for a  
general overhauling and repainting.

Mr. Kells came down to the garage  
before seven o'clock to get the ma-  
chine ready for the trip. Immediately  
on reaching the garage he started  
the engine and was letting it run  
while he attended to other minor de-  
tails, in order that it might be heated  
up and running smoothly when taken  
out on the road. Noticing that one  
of the tires was flat, Mr. Kells went  
to the post-office, about two blocks  
away, to get a pump, and it was while  
he was gone that the fire occurred.

He had gotten about half way back  
when his attention was called to the  
smoke coming out of the garage. He  
hurried to the building and found the  
car on fire. Thinking it was probably  
only the grease in the mud pan on  
the fire ran in and lifted up the foot  
board under the front seat but as he  
did this the flames shot up to the top  
of the car evidencing that the gaso-  
line connection was on fire. Remem-  
bering that the gasoline tank, of fif-  
teen gallon capacity, had just been  
filled for the trip and fearing an ex-

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BOYS	CHILDREN	
Books Balls Drums Guns—Toy Bats Tops Marbles Sleds Wagons Banks False Faces Hatchets Wheelbarrows Clarionets Accordions Ties Sweaters Mufflers Gloves Games Scroll Saw, Etc., Etc.	Rattles Rubber Neckties Celluloid Face Rattles Rubber Dolls Iron Toys Building Blocks Toy Rocking Horses Pig Banks Horns Billikins Surprise Boxes Accordions Flutes Stuffed Rabbits Teddy Bears Lions Horse and Wagon Engine and Cars Watches and Chains Tin Toys, Etc.	

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